

Program(s) Affected: Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

Title of Rule: CSFP: Automatic Income Eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation (FDPIR) Participants

Stage of Rulemaking: Under development; expected publication date is April 2012.

Is the Rule Currently Open for Public Comment? No

Rule Summary:

Currently, women, infants, and children who are certified as eligible for SNAP are considered to automatically meet the income eligibility standards for CSFP. This proposed rule would expand CSFP automatic income eligibility to seniors age 60 years and older who are certified as eligible for SNAP. Furthermore, because FDPIR is an alternative to SNAP, this proposed rule would amend program regulations to allow persons certified as eligible for FDPIR to automatically meet the income eligibility standards for CSFP.

This proposed rule would increase program efficiency by streamlining certification procedures. Although this rule would provide automatic income eligibility to persons certified as eligible for SNAP or FDPIR, individuals would still need to meet all other CSFP eligibility requirements in order to be considered eligible for the program.